

## **Public Notice – Environmental Project**

### **PURPOSE OF NOTICE:**

The Department of Environmental Quality seeks public comment on the state's response to the environmental aspects of a proposed project in the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:**

July 7, 2009 through July 24, 2009

### **TYPE OF RESPONSE:**

Federal Consistency Determination

DEQ is reviewing a proposed federal construction project to determine if it is consistent with the U.S. Coastal Zone Management Act. The act seeks to protect the quality of air, water or other natural resources in Virginia's coastal area.

### **NAME OF AGENCY PROPOSING THE PROJECT :**

DOD/U.S. Navy

### **PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

The U.S. Navy at Naval Amphibious Base Little Creek in Virginia Beach proposes to install floating piers at Pier 60. The proposed action includes the installation of two floating docks and the relocation of a previously authorized floating dock to an existing open-pile pier (Pier 60) in order to improve access and increase safety at the pier. The Navy proposes to remove the four existing open-pile finger piers located closest to shore and replace them with a floating dock and finger pier complex. The new configuration would include relocating a 42-foot by 12-foot floating dock previously authorized by Virginia Marine Resources Commission (VMRC # 01-0626) and installation of two 35-foot by 12-foot floating docks, four 45-foot by 5-foot finger piers and associated dock anchoring pilings. The docks would be accessed via a standard 20-foot long by 4-foot gangway. The Navy has submitted a Federal Consistency Determination for the proposal that finds it consistent to the maximum extent practicable with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Resources Management Program (VCP) (also called the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program).

### **HOW TO COMMENT:**

DEQ accepts comments from the public by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may review the project documents at DEQ's central office in Richmond.

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